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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Shigeo Fujii

Application No.: 10/760,423

Confirmation No.: 1238

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Art Unit: 2614

For: INTERNET TELEPHONE SYSTEM, CALL  
CONNECTION CONTROLLER, TERMINAL  
ASSOCIATION METHOD USED THEREIN  
AND ITS PROGRAM

Examiner: C. H. Smith

DECLARATION OF SHIGEO FUJII UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

Dear Sir:

I, Shigeo Fujii, do hereby declare and state as follows:

1. I reside in Tokyo, Japan
2. I am the sole inventor of the above-identified U.S. patent application (the "423" application) filed on January 21, 2004, as evidenced by the attached executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (Exhibit A, attached hereto) filed with the '423 application.
3. I have reviewed and understand the '423 application, including the currently pending claims, including any and all amendments (the "Claimed Invention").
4. I conceived the invention covered by the Claimed Invention prior to December 31, 2002, as evidenced by Exhibit B (attached hereto), and an English translation thereof, which is an invention disclosure of the Claimed Invention dated November 26, 2002 that identifies me as the inventor. The invention disclosure includes a description and drawings of the Claimed Invention. These documents show that I conceived the Claimed Invention prior to December 31, 2002.

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5. A national filing in Japan based on the above-mentioned disclosure was effected on January 27, 2003, as evidenced by Exhibit C, a verified translation of the priority application from which the '423 application claims benefit under Section 119. The preparation of the present application covering the claimed invention was diligently pursued from prior to December 31, 2002 to the date of filing of the priority application for the '423 application in Japan, January 27, 2003. For example, Exhibit D shows that a search report was prepared in conjunction with the Japanese priority application for the '423 application on December 3, 2002. The first page shows the results of the search and the remaining pages show the history of the search, which was initially conducted on November 28, 2002. Also, my employer, NEC, instructed a Japanese law firm to prepare a patent application based on the information disclosure on January 7, 2003, as evidenced by Exhibit E. The drafted patent application was approved by NEC on January 24, 2003, as evidenced by Exhibit F.

6. The '423 Application was filed within one year of the Japanese priority application, in accordance with the Paris Convention requirements.

7. The attached Exhibits are photocopies or original drawings, records, and other original evidence of my conception and reduction to practice of the Claimed invention.

All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of title 18 of the United States Code and willful and false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified patent.

Dated: March 13, 2008

By Shigeo Fujii  
Shigeo Fujii